

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A voice recognition system comprising:

an A/D converter that converts analog voice signals
5 to digital signals;

an FIR filtering section that employs powers-of-two
conversion to filter the 12-bit digital signals
converted at said A/D converter into prescribed
numbers of channels;

10 a characteristic extraction section that extracts
voice characteristics having strong noise-resistance
from the output signals of said FIR filtering section;

a word boundary detection section that
discriminates the information of the start-point and
15 the end-point of voice signal on the basis of the
characteristics extracted by said characteristic
extraction section; and

a normalization/recognition section that codes and
outputs the final result by carrying out a timing
20 normalization and a classifying process using a radial
basis function(RBF) neural network on the basis of the
voice characteristics provided by said characteristic
extraction section and the information of the start-
point and the end-point of voice signal from said word
25 boundary detection section.

2. A voice recognition system as claimed in claim 1,
wherein said characteristic extraction section is
characterized by directly calculating the
5 characteristic vectors at zero-crossing point of FIR
filter output and accumulating them without storing
the output of FIR filtering section.

3. A voice recognition system as claimed in claim 2
10 further comprising registers for each channel to
accumulate said calculated characteristic vectors.

4. A voice recognition system as claimed in claim 3,
wherein said registers comprise:

15 a register for accumulating the characteristic
vectors between the total time interval(110 samples);
registers for accumulating the characteristic
vectors only for the valid time of each channel; and
a buffering register for storing the characteristic
20 vectors of the total time interval(110 samples).

5. A voice recognition system as claimed in claim 1,
wherein said FIR filter is a cochlea FIR filter
having limited coefficients.

6. A voice recognition system as claimed in claim 5,
wherein said FIR filter is characterized by containing
a command language to limit the coefficients of
powers-of-two conversion by using the characteristics
of said cochlea FIR filter.

7. A voice recognition system as claimed in claim 1,
wherein said FIR filter is characterized by embodying
a filter-bank with only additions and shift-operations
by using powers-of-two conversion.

8. A voice recognition system as claimed in claim 1
further comprising a non-synchronized SRAM,

wherein said SRAM is characterized by storing the
characteristics extracted from said characteristic
extraction section and being read by said
normalization/recognition section.